Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office Of The Governor

WHEREAS, Alcohol and Drug abuse are major underlying causes of death in the sixteen to twenty-four year old age group; and,

WHEREAS, Ten million kids in the United States have dropped out of high school since 1975; and,

WHEREAS, Over one million girls become pregnant a year in the United States; and,

WHEREAS, Five hundred thousand teens in the United States will attempt suicide and five thousand will succeed:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GEORGE S. MICKELSON, Governor of the State of South Dakota, in support of these serious problems of youth and the need to encourage cooperative family and community efforts in order to promote a healthy environment for our youth, do hereby proclaim January 28, 1987, as

GENERATION AT RISK AWARENESS DAY

In South Dakota, in conjunction with the public television stations initiative, the second Chemical People program, "Generation At Risk", and urge all citizens of the State to strive for a better understanding, greater concern, and renewed efforts to promote a healthy environment.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Governor's Seal of the State of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twenth-secondth Day of January, in the Year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Eighty-Seven

GEORGE S. MICKELSON, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

JOYCE HAZELTINE, SECRETARY OF STATE